

**[OWWA MEMORANDUM OF INSTRUCTION NO.
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**PRESCRIBING THE POLICY GUIDELINES IN THE PILOT TEST OF
THE OUT-PATIENT SERVICES UNDER THE EXISTING MEDICARE
BENEFIT PACKAGE**

In the interest of the service and in view of the plan to expand the medicare benefit package of the Medical Care Program for Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) and their dependents, the implementing rules and regulations for the pilot test of the out-patient benefits is hereby issued for the guidance of all concerned.

I

Beneficiaries

The program shall cover all OFWs who are medicare members and their legal dependents who seek out-patient services at the Migrant Workers Evaluation and Referral Center (MWERC).

II

Package of Out-Patients Services

For the pilot-test, the following benefits/services shall be made available:

A. Consultation by Medicare physician;

B. Treatment of minor injuries requiring minor surgeries including medicines and supplies needed in the procedure;

C. Laboratory Procedures such as:

1.) Urinalysis — to determine if patient is suffering from Urinary Tract Infection (UTI) and Hematuria (presence of blood in the urine sample)

2.) Stool Examination — to detect the presence of Amoeba and Parasites,(e.g. Ascaris) in the stool

3.) Complete Blood Count (CBC) — to determine the level of white and red blood cells.

4.) Fasting Blood Sugar (FBS) — to determine the level of sugar in the blood.

5.) Blood Typing — to determine the blood type of the patient